

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	11	-	20	=	0	\$ 18	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	1	-	3	=	0	\$ 80	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						\$270	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$0.00

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- ☐ Petition for \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Takanori OKA Conf: 8292  
Application No. 09/214,723 Group: 1655  
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**REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

June 20, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated March 20, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the following claim:

13. (Amended) A nucleic acid assay process for identifying and/or quantifying a mutation or polymorphism in a sample DNA, comprising the steps of: